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For: METHOD FOR SEARCHING FOR DATA OR DATA-  
HOLDING RESOURCES STORED CURRENTLY OR AT  
AN EARLIER TIME ON A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEM,  
WHERE ACCOUNT IS TAKEN OF THE TIME OF  
ITS/THEIR AVAILABILITY

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